

MINUTES
PRIVATE PROBATION PROVIDER BOARD
June 23, 2005– 9:00 A.M.
Room 428 – Fourth Floor - Heber Wells Bldg.
160 East 300 South
Salt Lake City, Utah

CONVENED: NO QUORUM

ADJOURNED: NO QUORUM

PRESENT:

Clyde Ormond, Bureau Manager
LaTonya Green, Board Secretary

Board Members:

Kathy Ockey Sylvester Daniels

ABSENT:

James Rowley, Sandra Thackeray
Larry McDonald

GUESTS:

Mitchell Jones, Attorney General's Office.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Due to a lack of a board quorum no decisions were made. These minutes only reflect items that were discussed and recommended.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Minutes:

The Board could not approve the minutes of the January 27, 2005 board meeting due to lack of a Board quorum.

APPOINTMENTS:

9:30am

Claudio Torres

Mr. Torres' application came before the Board for review. Mr. Ormond advised the Board he is still attending college, but his experience may not fit the regulations in the statute. Ms. Ockey said he needs to submit his transcripts. Mr. Daniels said he is currently an aid in a youth center. Ms. Ockey said he needs to finish his degree with 8 more classes. Mr. Daniels said if he is writing reports or doing behavioral reports while going to courts with his clients from the center, then he would meet the requirement. Ms. Ockey said based on what she sees in the application, he doesn't fit the experience requirement. Mr. Torres' application showed seven years of work experience with

adolescents. Mr. Ormond asked the Board if Mr. Torres has the required education then could they give him 25-50% credit for his work experience.

Ms. Ockey said that with Mr. Torres having the required education she would use 25% of his six years experience. He would have to show the coursework. Mr. Daniels said the coursework has to be pertinent to the profession. Mr. Ormond said the statute shows that you can use counseling experience. Mr. Daniels said a counselor is more than a mentor, and Mr. Torres seems to be more a mentor. Mr. Daniels said if he has taken enough class work and it applies to counseling and supervision work than Mr. Torres can be issued a license. Mr. Ormond said he would get the transcripts from Mr. Torres.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Implementing a Laws and Rules Exam

Mr. Ormond stated that the current rule allows the Board to implement a law and rules exam. But the Board would have to put it in the rulebook, which would take approximately 4 months. Mr. Ormond said at the next Board meeting a recommendation would need to be made to go forward with the rule, and then a hearing would proceed. Once it is in rule then the exam would be developed for a 3 to 4 month process. Ms. Ockey said the exam would professionalize the industry, and she supports the idea. Mr. Ormond said the main concern is what responsibilities and duties are involved with being a private probation provider.

Proposed Law Change

Mr. Ormond said he contacted Rebecca Lockhart from the Provo area and explained to her the conflict of interest issues. She said she would have to study it. If she didn't understand, then she would contact Lori Faulk and either of them would carry it. Another discussion would take place as to if the statutes terms would change from "might affect" to "will affect." Mr. Ormond said if either of them will carry this, then the Board would need to meet with them to give a broader perspective. Mitchell Jones said he would attend a meeting for that. Mr. Ormond asked if the judges brought up an issue. Mr. Daniels said the judges wanted to make sure they have flexibility to make assignments, and

didn't have a lot of concern on what was happening with the conflicts. Mr. Ormond said the Board should do what Mr. Jones advised, and change the wording to "affects".

CORRESPONDENCE:

Continuing Education Programs

Mr. Ormond advised the Board that guidelines needed to be set as to what would be accepted in the probation profession. Mr. Ormond said according to the documentation, training provided by the licensee wouldn't qualify. Mr. Ormond said the Board should look at each area and give an understanding of everything listed. Mr. Ormond told the Board to give him an update of the continuing education, and he would fill in the information.

Email

Mr. Ormond advised the Board members that we usually mail out the agenda and minutes for notification of Board meetings, but we came up with the idea of sending emails for notifications of meetings. Mr. Daniels and Ms. Ockey said they had no issues with receiving notification via email.

NEXT MEETING:

Aug 25, 2005

DATE APPROVED

CHAIRPERSON, PRIVATE PROBATION
PROVIDER BOARD

DATE APPROVED

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